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Colonials fans storm the court in celebration of GW's upset victory over nationally-ranked Virginia Tech.

## Colonials pull off the upset again; #8 Hokies fall, 64-47

### Capacity crowd of 5,454 watches rout of Virginia Tech

BY JIM GERAGHTY  
SPORTS EDITOR

The GW Colonials staged their own version of "Must-see-TV" Thursday night as they stomped all over the No. 8 Virginia Tech Hokies for their biggest win of the year, 64-47.

The Smith Center rocked with a capacity crowd of 5,454. About 4,000 of those belted out "Hail to the Buff and Blue" while stamping their feet and chanting the Hokie fans in attendance into submission. Scouts from the Chicago Bulls, Golden State Warriors and New York Knicks were in attendance.

The win was a vital one for the Colonials' postseason chances. It upped their record to 10-4, 4-1 in the Atlantic 10, and landed only a half game behind the Hokies in the A-10 west division. VTU dropped to 12-2, 5-1 in the A-10.

"I have to give GW credit. We got our butts kicked and embarrassed, and the kids know that,"

Virginia Tech head coach Bill Foster said after the game.

"I knew this game was going to tell me about us, and how we respond .... The greatest coach ever at the professional level, Red Auerbach, was always emphasizing 'us.' We are the enemy," GW head coach Mike Jarvis said. "I think we realized they weren't having a great night. We played a very intelligent game. We controlled our emotion well, which is a sign of maturity."

The Colonials who took the Smith Center court were a completely different team than the one that took the court a week ago in Roanoke, Va. That team fell behind early and was forced to play catch-up for most of the game. Thursday night, GW flew out of the gate and played with an aggressive defense and patient offense that seemed to take the Hokies by surprise.

A quick GW start gave the Colonials the lead, 14-8, and even when opportunity knocked for the Hokies, they blew two chances for

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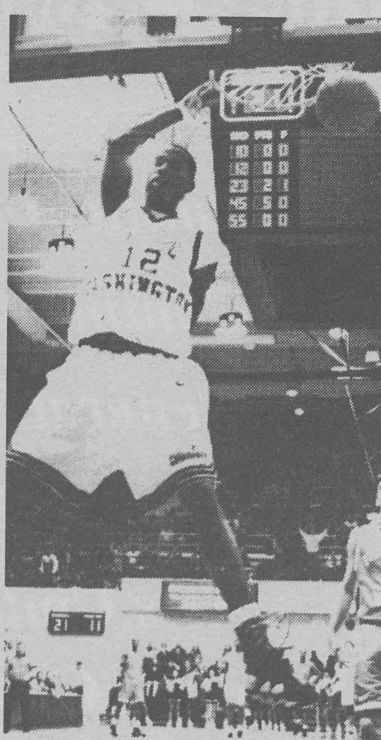


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Kwame Evans takes to the air.

## ANC meeting turns to procedural slugfest

BY STEPHANIE LASH  
HATCHET STAFF WRITER

Fiery debate on two separate issues forced an early adjournment of Wednesday night's Foggy Bottom and West End Advisory Neighborhood Commission meeting.

Due to conflicting views of basic procedure and election policy, the commission was left without a quorum and was forced to postpone the election of a chair until the February meeting.

Wednesday's meeting already had been postponed from the previous week to mourn the recent death of community leader Betty Olsen.

As the six-member commission waited for its fifth member, Mike Geroe, to arrive and provide the necessary quorum for the opening of the meeting, chair Sarah Maddux opened the floor to the Metropolitan Police Department. Following the crime report, an area resident addressed the officers with concerns of double parking and illegal bus traffic on 25th Street.

Allegedly, sub-contractors currently renovating the University

Inn at Foggy Bottom, which is owned by GW, have illegally double-parked on several occasions, prompting numerous calls to the police. Recognizing the incidents and the seriousness of the situation, University Associate Vice President of Business Affairs Al Ingle promised to attempt to remedy the situation.

"What I've asked these people to do in the neighborhood, personally, is to call me directly the moment they see something (illegal), to get people there, or go there myself," Ingle said.

After angry complaints and an uproar from the audience, many residents expressed their desire for more immediate and severe police action, and disregarded Ingle's offer to meet at a separate time and discuss the matter.

Maddux's attempt to end debate when Geroe arrived was met with objections from Commissioner Maria Tyler and others, who cited Robert's Rules of Order to prove that continuing the discussion was permitted.

Allowing deliberation to continue, Maddux called the official

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## Federal budgeting may bruise GW financial aid

BY JAY JAGANNATHAN  
HATCHET STAFF WRITER

As Congress and The White House tussle over the budget crisis, University officials fear student financial aid may be cut.

"What we don't know is how drastic the cuts will be," said Dan Small, director of GW's Office of Student Financial Assistance.

Even though Congress has threatened to make cuts in student aid in the past, the recent furloughs and shutdowns are indications that the government is really willing to make cuts in order to balance the budget, Small added.

"It is hard to know exactly what the mindset of this Congress is," Small said. "Hopefully they will weigh the effects that cuts in financial aid will have on students and families when they make their decisions."

GW President Stephen Joel Trachtenberg and other University officials have discussed alternative plans for financial aid, but nothing is concrete yet, Small said.

Besides possible cuts in federal loan and assistance programs, others are concerned that the war over the budget and the lack of funding for the U.S. Department of Education will affect financial aid packaging for students.

Until the Department of Education receives its funding, it will be unable to release figures concerning the status of student loans and grants for the upcoming fall semester.

Small said he anticipates the deepest cuts will be in the State Student Incentive Grant Program (SSIG). However, this cut would not have much of an effect on GW students, as most states require students to attend in-

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Talkin' loud and sayin' nothing

# Hear it here last: Lil' Nostradamus picks Super Bowl

We've been drowning in the hype for two weeks. Is anyone sick of the Super Bowl yet?

I've read articles and articles and seen highlight after highlight. All the athletes have gamely tried to come up with something new and clever to say. All the sports shows have tried come up with a new angle. One show, "The George Michael Sports Machine," gave a video camera to Nate Newton, the charismatic and absolutely obese offensive lineman for the Dallas Cowboys, and let him have free rein. I'm surprised he didn't come

back with two hours of footage of the inside of his lower intestine.

Now you're sitting there thinking, "What are you whining about? The game's over." But is it? See, contrary to all appearances, I actually write this thing ahead of time. So the game has not even started yet.

This is all conjecture. I'm making this up as I go along. I'm flying by the seat of my pants.

I'm predicting the outcome of the Super Bowl.

My buddy Claire (you remember her - she is the soon-to-be world-famous

first reported in the "You Heard It Here First" section of this column last November) is a big fan of Nostradamus. I was a bit of a skeptic, considering that Nostradamus made approximately 13 correct to semi-correct prophecies out of 16,789, one of which was that in the year 1492 a man named Columbus would discover masking tape.

Anyway, we were arguing about the authenticity of Nostradamus when I mentioned that the writer Jules Verne predicted the almost exact design of the space shuttle, not to mention the location of its launch pad within 10 miles and surely he was not a heaven-sent prognosticator. Claire, defending Nostradamus as the real deal, wrote this off, figuring that NASA based its design on Verne's suggestions.

Naturally, I retorted that perhaps Hitler's parents could have read Nostradamus' prediction that a satanic figure named Hister would attempt to rule the world in the 20th century. Figuring that their little Adolf's surname was close enough (and what else was the kid going to do with his life anyway, become a failed painter?), they decided to make their child that predicted despot. Then it occurred to me that teaching a kid to be the Antichrist might be like something out of William Blake's Proverbs of Hell.

"Adolf, what are you going to do with a gift horse?"

"Look it in the mouth."

"Very good! And what will you

do if you're a beggar?"

"Choose."

Such a scenario seemed a bit improbable to me, so I've decided to go along with Claire. I am now a disciple of Nostradamus. In fact, I've decided to try my hand at it myself, starting with Super Bowl XXX. Few people know it, but Nostradamus was also extremely adept at handicapping sports. He actually predicted every winner of the World Cup. That is, except for 1930. But come on, it's just not fair to expect that. I mean, what were the odds on Uruguay?

So now, without further ado, the prediction:

Actually, I doubt that I'll even watch the game. I probably won't even be able to see it. My roommate and I invited basically everyone we know, plus quite a few who seemed friendly enough at the time, to our place to watch the game. We only have one TV, so my roommate is planning on borrowing another, splicing the cable and running it into another room. All of which will do nothing to free up my view of the TV, but should provide the entertaining sight of dozens of inebriated football watchers lining up and tripping over the cable on the ground like so many lemmings falling off a cliff.

But then I suppose that it doesn't take a prophet to formulate "Crowd + beer + trip wire = wacky hijinks." This, however, does. Here it comes ... I'm getting something: Bud Light in a rout.



David Larimer

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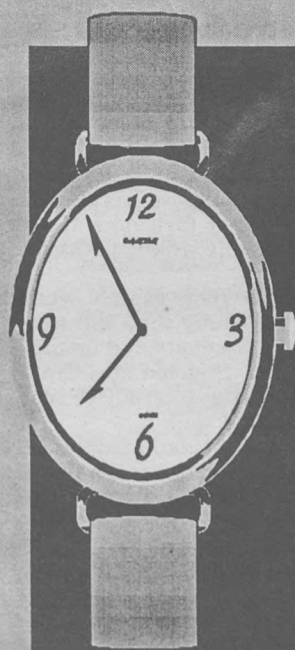
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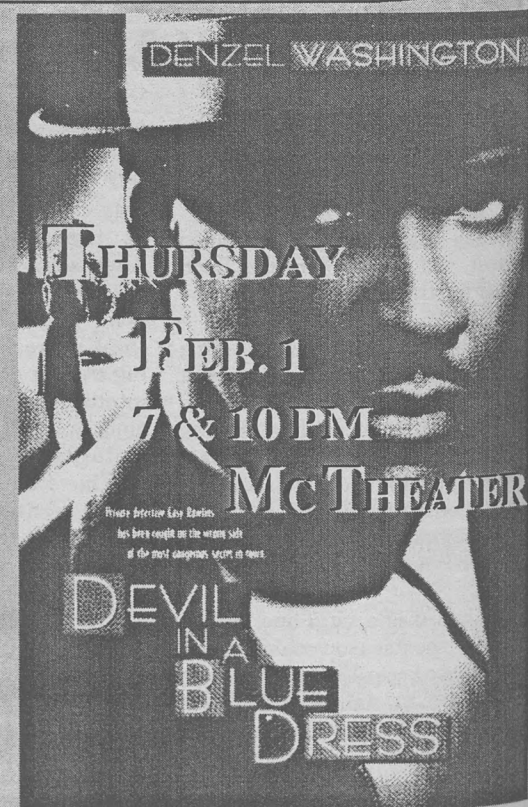
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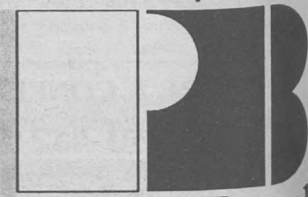
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# Students give porn film mixed reviews

## PB's 'sexual awareness' ignites sparks

BY ANNE M. GLENZER  
HATCHET REPORTER

"Pornography is sex and sex is cool," a GW junior, who wished not to be identified, said in reference to the Program Board-sponsored screening of the pornographic movie *Revelations* next month.

The film, which is directed by Candida Royale and designed for women, will be shown in the wake of the much-publicized controversy surrounding last-year's screening of *John Wayne Bobbitt: Uncut*.

However, this time, students do not seem to mind the fact that a student organization is sponsoring a porno movie. Instead, students are speculating mostly over the reason why the movie will be shown.

"Sexually explicit material can be presented in a tasteful way, but I don't think it's (Program Board's) job to bring it to us," sophomore Greg Farley said, adding if necessary a "quick trip to Tower Video" can fill the urge.

In fact, the student who wished to remain anonymous said he had two porn movies in his backpack that he was on his way to return. "Sex is part of life - why not show it?" he said.

However, most people said they really didn't care one way or the other about the movie. What some people did care about was the motivation behind "Sexual Awareness Week," a week designed to bring discussion and debate about pornographic issues.

"The fact that they try to portray this as an opportunity to discuss women's issues is the biggest fucking farce I've ever heard of,"

said a resident assistant who also requested anonymity. Other students agreed, calling the awareness week a "joke" and an excuse to legitimize the PB-sponsored screening of porn.

"I don't think that the average person looks at themselves and says, 'Wow, I hear there's some great women's erotica going on. I think I'll go explore my Id.'" sophomore Marty Mannion said.

The anonymous Columbian College junior wanted to know what is really meant by "Sexual Awareness Week." He was quite aware of all his parts, he added jokingly.

Mannion argued that when student groups tried to bring awareness last year by protesting the *Bobbitt* film, it was simply done for media attention.

Farley agreed, calling last year's screening a "publicity stunt" designed to bring attention and profit to the University.

"Education is a business and the Program Board is trying to gain publicity to make business better," Farley said.

But speculation aside, nobody seemed to care about the content of the porn, because it is legal for most students to view. When asked what they thought about the PB screening, most students said they didn't care.

The PB has a right to show the film, student Melanie Figueredo said. Although some people may be upset that the University has to pay for the right to screen it, she said the \$30 fee was not a big deal. She said the University often spends money on lots of things she finds useless.

## Black History Month meets cyberspace

Black History Month has always been celebrated by Americans in February, but this year things are getting a little high-tech.

NBC and Loci, a World Wide Web site sponsored by Boston University's College of Communication, are joining together to present Black History Month on the Internet - bringing some pretty famous names on-line.

Joining the cybertalk every weeknight in February will be recording artists like Quincy Jones, Seal, Joshua Redman, Aaron Neville, Barry White, TLC, LL Cool J and Chaka Khan.

Jones is scheduled to appear on the site Feb. 2 at 9 p.m. and Seal will join the discussion on Feb. 7 at 9 p.m. Loci, launched in Sept. 1995, is geared for college students and offers a place to chat and showcase student work from photographs and poetry to editorials and short stories.

Loci can be reached on the World Wide Web at <http://www.loci.com>.

-Kevin Eckstrom

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Hardly.

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## Exodus

As if an economic expert is needed to figure out that the District of Columbia is in desperate need of fundamental change, Census Bureau officials provided Friday even more evidence.

D.C.'s population dropped by 13,000 last year, the largest decline of the 1990s. Since the turn of the decade, nearly 53,000 people have fled the District. The flight from the inner city to the suburbs may seem little different from those of larger cities nationwide since the 1960s. Washington's population decrease, however, is among the largest — only three cities in America suffered a larger decline between 1990 and 1994.

The problem is compounded by D.C.'s unique status as an urban island surrounded by out-of-state suburbs. Other cities can count on at least a substantial minority of its residents who move to the suburbs to stay in-state, thereby maintaining that state's tax base. But the District loses all of its expatriates and their tax incomes to other states.

Of course, no one who has moved to Virginia or Maryland can be blamed for doing so. Washington is more than \$700 million in debt, its public schools are both literally and figuratively falling apart and its crime rates make national headlines — all of this and only partial voting rights for its residents. But by the same token, Washington sees its wealthiest former or would-be residents make their incomes in the District and spend them in another state.

Considering all of this, it would seem reasonable for the District to implement a commuter tax. But of course, no such tax exists here. And since such a tax would require approval from a Republican-held Congress, we wouldn't dare hold our collective breath waiting for it. But the idea nonetheless makes sense. Commuters currently get what amounts to certain free services — does snowplowing, to name one recent example, come for free? Washington, D.C., and its citizens, meanwhile, have been ignored for too long. It's time to start evening the scales.

## What's in a name

Mike Royko is one of the nation's best known and most popular newspaper columnists. His columns for the Chicago Tribune are syndicated throughout the country. He is also a perfect example of, on the eve of Black History Month, how deep the roots of racist thought are in this country, and how the wounds of America's racial divide remain persistently open.

A recent column of Royko's began as a tale of a woman named Maurica Taylor whose named was confused with a deadbeat dad named Maurice Taylor. It proved to be the jumping-off point for a tasteless attempt at humor — poking fun at African Americans for giving their children what Royko considered to be unusual names. "None of this would have happened if her mom had named her Jane, Mary, Dorothy, Helen, Gertrude, Abigail, Nancy or some other clearly identifiable and traditional female name," Royko wrote. "Some black names defy explanation."

Royko broke with his reputation and wrote a public apology in the Tribune last Monday, but questions over his tactless column remain. What motivated his assumptions that some out-of-the-ordinary names are "black?" The supposition of a specifically ethnic name is rapidly becoming a hopelessly obsolete one, similar to Royko's apparent belief that "Gertrude" is still a popular female moniker. And where does Royko find the humor in mocking the pride of other ethnicities?

Even more perturbing is the fact that the article made it past everyone at the Tribune and was published as is. Royko enjoys such stature that it is likely that his pieces are not edited, but the arrogance of refusing editors only compounds the error, casting his entire company and all of his syndicates in a racist light. Royko is normally an excellent writer, but with this horrendous gaffe at this ironic time he has given himself and his profession a truly bad name.

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## On-campus pizza delivery will provide 'viable option' for GW

It is sad and unfortunate that Domino's Pizza continues to slap students with an 18 percent surcharge when paying with a GW meal card. But now there is an alternative.

The GW Dining Services has committed to open its own pizza place at Mitchell Courtyard Cafe, Itza Pizza, for delivery and carry-out. The SA Dining Services Commission feels this is a very positive development and that all students will benefit from it.

When we learned of the possibility of gaining an on-campus pizza delivery option, the DSC sought to determine whether students would approve of this alternative. We proceeded to conduct a survey which showed overwhelming student support for an on-campus pizza service. We then communicated these results to GW Dining Services and noted that for an on-campus delivery service to be considered a viable option, it must be cheaper than Domino's regular prices without a service charge. It should also offer the same quality and selection of products, have similar delivery times and be open the same hours including vacations, holidays and other instances when regular on-campus options are closed or operate under reduced hours. During the break, I was in contact with the University to ensure that student concerns would be considered.

I believe that GW Dining Services has listened to these concerns. Furthermore, the new service, which will start as soon as staff and supplies are ready, will be operated almost entirely with the help of students. Delivery will be handled by student groups who will get a cut of the nights' sales and most employees will also be students. Itza Pizza will be open

## Jonathan Pompan

during peak times (Monday-Thursday 4 p.m. — 1 a.m. and Friday-Sunday from 4 p.m. — 2 a.m.) which were derived from meal card data. Pies will available in both medium and large sizes with a variety of toppings and specials. Itza Pizza can be ordered at 994-8887.

While the legality and contractual obligations regarding Domino's discriminatory practice are best left to lawyers, Auxiliary and Institutional Services has said that Domino's will remain part of the meal plan for the time being. Itza Pizza will compete directly with Domino's for student use. Accordingly, students will have a choice of pizza services to order from on the meal plan. The DSC is optimistic that students will use Itza Pizza and send a strong mes-

sage to Domino's against the surcharge while helping fellow students at the same time.

Hopefully, this will be just the beginning of even more change in not just Mitchell but in other areas of dining services, such as Thurston cafeteria take-out, the reopening of Colonial Commons and meal plan changes. The DSC regularly meets and corresponds with the executive director for Campus Life, the manager of GW Dining Services and the director for Auxiliary and Institutional Services. The DSC holds regular meetings and actively seeks student input through various means including visiting student groups. After Itza Pizza opens, the DSC will continue to monitor the situation and work for what students want it to be. Comments can be made to the DSC at 994-7100, through e-mail at "gweats@gwis2," or directly to GW Dining Services.

Since last May, the Dining Services Commission has worked hard for better service, lower prices, higher quality and more options in student dining. The new pizza service represents a strong step in that direction which we hope will continue.

—Jonathan Pompan, a sophomore, is the director of the Student Association Dining Services Commission.

## LETTER TO THE EDITOR

### Forbes = SJT?

This is not a letter making a political statement. I had just realized an analogy which could be made after reading Graham T. Klemm's analysis of Malcolm Forbes Jr.'s campaign for the presidency (The GW Hatchet, "Does Forbes have a shot at the GOP presidential nomination?" Jan. 25, p. 4).

The issue at hand with Forbes is whether one should bring a business background to the public sector of government. There exists a

stereotype surrounding business professionals and their motivation toward greed and cold-heartedness. Businessmen and -women need to be credited rather than discredited.

GW President Stephen Joel Trachtenberg has openly said he conducts the affairs of our University like a business. Since he arrived here a few years ago, our standards have increased, our name has gained respect and our students are returning for their sophomore year more than ever

before.

If you like the effects that SJT has created for our University, you may see a correlation between Forbes and him. Comparing GW to the United States of America and President Trachtenberg to presidential candidate Forbes may sound steep, but there could be such a link. It's just a thought.

—Michael A. Brown, sophomore





# OPINION

## LETTER TO THE EDITOR

### Just cause

I was bothered by Erik Schelzig's thesis, errors and suppositions in his column in the Dec. 7 issue of The GW Hatchet ("The Pearl Harbor Day double standard continues in America," p. 4), but I am very troubled by the way he chooses to deal with criticism of his position on the way the U.S. commemorates the Japanese attack on the island of Oahu, Hawaii (The GW Hatchet, "Counter-attack," Jan. 25, p. 5).

Contrary to Mr. Schelzig's assertions, the bombing attacks on Hiroshima and Nagasaki were militarily and diplomatically justified and, while the massive loss of life by civilians is regretted, we should never forget who was the original aggressor nation or that they were afforded several opportunities to cease hostilities prior to August 1945.

Disregarding any proof-reading deficiencies, we are left with the basic problem that Mr. Schelzig has with interpreting the annual December

commemorations. To me, interpreting and understanding history involves

studying and comprehending the rationale for certain actions. It is clear that Mr. Schelzig does not appreciate or understand the events that transpired before August 1945.

Mr. Schelzig wants the U.S. to be judged as a war criminal for retaliating against the Japanese in a manner he feels is similar to the Imperial Japanese and Nazi Germany treatment of captives and conquered and targeted nations. I have tremendous problems with this position. To be a war criminal, you have to violate the Laws of War (commonly called the Geneva Conventions) or the Laws of the Sea. The U.S. did not violate

either.

Pearl Harbor and the other U.S. military and naval facilities at Kaneohe, Haleiwa and Ewa were not legitimate military targets for any aggressor since a state of war or hostilities did not exist at the time. Had the Japanese attacked Oahu on Dec. 8th or later, then these would have been legitimate targets under contemporary protocols. The principle of war known as surprise does not include the attack on Oahu.

I do know, and so should Mr. Schelzig, that the attacks against civilians by the Allied military and air forces came only after widespread publicity about the atrocities of the Nazis in Europe, Russia and Great Britain, and the Japanese in Korea, China, the Marianas, the Gilberts and Southeast and Southern Asia. Additionally, once the Allied leadership discovered the fanatical support being provided to the German and Japanese war machines by their respective populaces, the unsavory tactic of carpet bombing was begun.

The U.S. was very reluctant to approve the British request to target civilian areas and was especially troubled by the desire to target areas close to the historic areas of Dresden. However, Allied leaders were aware that the populace of Germany supported the continuation of the Nazi war effort. Also, the Allied leadership was aware the populace of Japan had knowledge that its military was mistreating and murdering prisoners of war and civilian detainees. The support of the German populace for Hitler's apocalyptic tendencies was most graphically demonstrated through the use of pre-teenage boys and octogenarian men to man defensive positions around Berlin.

Experience through the centuries has taught military leaders

and diplomats that the defeat of an enemy is not assured if the enemy's populace continues to support warlike activities. So while actions against civilians are distasteful, it sometimes becomes necessary to destroy the populace's will to continue to support the war efforts of its government.

The Imperial Japanese Army in 1945 was prepared to sacrifice everything, including overthrowing the Emperor, to continue the war. This was very dramatically demonstrated during the Battle for Okinawa and the attempted coup d'état against the Emperor. It then became necessary to demonstrate to the Japanese populace, and to the Emperor of Japan, that it was time to cease hostilities. Unfortunately, the Emperor did not learn the lesson fast enough.

Whether Mr. Schelzig agrees or not, using the atom bombs to compel Japan to cease hostilities saved the lives of thousands, maybe even hundreds of thousands of people, both Allied and Japanese. The men who were spared the necessity of invading mainland Japan and their families are eternally grateful.

I do not support the indiscriminate use of atomic and nuclear power for warlike activities but, as I previously stated, under contemporary protocols the use of atomic weapons against the Japanese was justified and the U.S. never committed any crimes in using those horrific weapons.

—Gary L. Dickson, senior

## SA should be aware of JEC conflict of interest

Guess what time it is, folks. That's right, election time. No, not national elections, but GW elections.

The first step of the elections occurred Tuesday night. The group of people who we will entrust to watch over these elections as the Joint Elections Committee were chosen at the Student Association meeting. The three people nominated and confirmed at this meeting for the JEC were current SA Senate Secretary Matt Zierler, current undergraduate Sen. Brad Jacobs (at large) and former Colonial Cabinet member Andy Hamilton.

I have no problem with Andy Hamilton's nomination, but I find it hard to believe no one at the SA meeting found the nomination of a current senator and the current SA secretary an obvious conflict of interest. I am not at all saying that either one of them would show favoritism to a current SA member. I do realize being a member of the JEC is time-consuming and not easy, so it is not easy to find people who will give up the time it takes to make the JEC work successfully.

But when it comes to giving the SA a clean image, the current members of the JEC will hinder that drastically. Many GW stu-

dents not in the SA often think it is a small group of people who try to keep themselves and their friends in the SA. When a student not in the SA finds out the people making the rules for the elections are current SA members, what else can they think but that they start out at a disadvantage?

Before anyone misunderstands me, I am not making personal statements about Matt Zierler and Brad Jacobs. I have no reason to believe they will do anything wrong. But no one knows how they will act if a situation comes

up during the election which might question the ethics of one of their colleagues. It is always better to have people who have no reason for any bias whatsoever in the JEC. It is hard to think neither of them have no bias whatsoever.

I realize it is tough to find people who will give up the time it takes to be in the JEC, but it is important for the SA to make sure there is no reason for someone to question the ethics and principles of the SA and its members. For that reason, these two members should be removed and two non-SA members should be put on the JEC.

—Mark Kohn is a junior majoring in political science.

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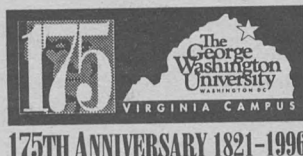
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## Students discover World Wide Web

Creating pages brings people together

BY ANNE MILLER  
ASST. NEWS EDITOR

The World Wide Web is one of the newest buzz-phrases associated with the Internet, and GW is getting on the bandwagon.

"Hundreds of students have pages up," said Tim Mabbott, Web development coordinator for GW's Computer Information and Resource Center (CIRC).

Many University departments and student organizations have pages. The School of Engineering and Applied Science (SEAS), the 175th Anniversary Celebration, the Authority newspaper and the Turkish Students Organization can be found on the Web.

The World Wide Web differs from other Internet systems in that it includes pictures and sound bites and can be navigated with a mouse, unlike systems which rely solely on words and keyboards, like UNIX, used by GWIS2, the University's main server.

Pages often include "links," key words a user can click on with a mouse to jump instantly from one page to another, from organizations to people to places.

Anyone with access to a server with Web capabilities - like those found at colleges and universities such as GW - and a basic knowledge of the computer language HTML can post a page that anyone, from anywhere in the world, can browse. For people who have no knowledge of HTML, CIRC "puts info on-line on how to set up a page," Mabbott said.

"It's just word processing on a slightly different level. You kind of explore and learn on your own," Mabbott said.

Web pages cost nothing and have an international audience - two reasons why the University Honors Program decided to use the Web for its upcoming undergraduate journal.

"It's so logistically easy to do," said Danielle Noll, who directs the journal project. In compiling the journal, "we are testing a new idea, and (the Web) is the easiest, quickest, cheapest way to do it."

Although the page is still in

progress, the Honors journal has received about five to 10 solicitations from students at other universities who discovered the publication on the Web. In May, when the journal is scheduled to be published, Noll hopes to download at least a table of contents and abstracts of the papers on the journal Web page, if not have links to entire papers as well.

About a year ago, when, according to Mabbott, "the Web started taking off in general" and "exploded," Ohad Ben-Yoseph taught himself about this new Internet capability when he created his own page. He and roommate Adam Nordstrom have turned their Web knowledge into a profit, creating pages for others and billing themselves as political consultants for the Internet.

Web sites for their political customers include "a bio, where they are, where they're from, press releases, statements of opinion, texts of speeches, picture archives and photo ops," Nordstrom said.

They have personal Web sites unconnected with their business as well. This follows a trend among college students, more and more of whom are posting personal pages that contain everything from résumés and unpublished poetry to pictures, sound bites from bands and links to favorite sites.

Nordstrom said his page says, basically: "Hi, this is me, here's some silly pictures, here's some silly stories." He has met people from his native state of Kansas through his page, and "pen-pals in Europe who saw that I'm from Sweden."

Ben-Yoseph's is more complicated. "It's a combination of personal stuff about myself. There's a page about (President) Clinton; a Washington, D.C., index; links to pages I've done for people and a Hatchet article about us," he said.

"There are even documents out there to help you if you don't know the language," Mabbott said. On campus, the World Wide Web with full graphics and sound can be accessed from the Macintosh computers in the Academic Center and Gelman Library.

## Discovery Seminar links God and science

BY LEE RUMBARGER  
ASST. NEWS EDITOR

Rather than using science as a device to disprove God, the Discovery Seminar coming to GW Feb. 4 will present scientific detection of God, student organizer Jay Friedenthal said.

Using the original Hebrew texts of the Book of Genesis, a team of researchers discovered encoded messages pointing to divine authorship of the work.

Historical references including the names and birth and death dates of famed rabbis, the French Revolution and the 1981 assassination of Egyptian President Anwar Sadat were uncovered. The chance that the encrypted phrases are just coincidence is less than one in 775 million, researchers claim. Some say the possibility is actually one in an even more astronomical number.

"This experiment is a mind-bending walk through the Torah and human history, a walk through the 'Why?' of being Jewish," Friedenthal said.

The Discovery Seminar has traveled throughout the world since 1987. Presenter teams of physicists, mathematicians, doctors, psychologists, lawyers and professors examine Judaism logically, offering evidence for an intellectual faith.

"No matter what your beliefs, I can promise you will walk out of this seminar saying 'Wow!'" added Friedenthal, who participated in Discovery while in Israel.

Discovery will take place at the GW Gewirz Center on 23rd Street. Registration will be Feb. 4 at 10:30 am. The program begins at 11 a.m., and the \$7 registration fee includes a kosher lunch.



# D.C. NEWS

## D.C. BRIEFS

### District's population plummets, census figures show

The District's population continued to plummet in 1995, as 13,000 people – the largest number in this decade – moved out of the city, Census Bureau officials have reported.

Census figures also showed the District has lost almost 53,000 people since 1990 – more than the city lost during all of the 1980s. The figures point to a disturbing rate of exodus for the city, leaving it with a population of only 554,000.

The figures coincide with other trends, such as the moving of private-sector jobs to the suburbs and the downsizing of the federal government. They also suggest that residents are becoming increasingly fed up with crime, the failures of the school system and now, the city's budget problems.

"Unfortunately, the District's reputation doesn't get any better," demographer George Grier of the Greater Washington Research Center said. "The people who would love to get out, and who are getting out to some degree, are the people in the middle of the income distribution."

The survey found that about 25 percent of those who left the District moved to Virginia, a sign that that state's nearby suburbs

are growing in appeal to city residents, particularly minorities.

### Council passes unbalanced budget

After hours of debate Friday, the D.C. Council was unable to come to agreement on how to cut the District's spending – and ended up passing a budget which will leave the city with a deficit of several hundred million dollars.

The Council also was unable to approve a plan to close St. Elizabeths Hospital, the city's mental health facility, by 1999. The closing would have saved the District \$10 million per year.

Council members voted mostly to shift funds around from program to program, not to cut them – which still leaves the District with projected shortfalls of \$237 million this year, \$179 million next year and \$84 million in the year after that.

Members agreed to cut \$3 million from the city's summer youth employment program and shifted money around to agencies which need it most, but they made less than half of the \$150 million in cuts requested by Congress.

"This budget is not balanced," Council Chairman David Clarke (D) said. "We are going to be candid about that."

—Donna Brutkoski

## DCCC discusses parking, housing

BY DONNA BRUTKOSKI  
ASSOCIATE EDITOR

The District of Columbia Capital Consortium, the city's group of representatives from area universities, is continuing efforts this semester to advocate students' positions on a number of issues, particularly parking and housing.

Richard Sheehey, GW's representative to the DCCC, said the group is prepared to fight a piece of legislation, discussed at Sunday's DCCC meeting at Georgetown University, which would limit students' parking privileges in certain areas of the District.

The legislation, introduced by D.C. Councilmember Jack Evans (D-Ward 2), would further divide the city's parking zones into sub-zones. It would then prohibit anyone without a subzone sticker from parking on the street anytime after midnight on any day of the week.

Sheehey said city legislators may take some further action on the bill, which was discussed at a D.C. Council subcommittee hearing Wednesday, at the end of this week. He and other DCCC representatives are hoping to convince administrators, like GW President Stephen Joel Trachtenberg, to oppose the bill by that time.

"Each SA (of the area schools) will be sending a letter to (D.C. Council Chairman David) Clarke

saying we're opposed to Evans' bill," he said.

The proposal outlines in the bill may be first tried out on the Georgetown area in a trial process, Sheehey said. This would mean no one with a Zone 2 parking sticker – including GW students – could park in the Georgetown area after midnight without the additional subzone sticker.

Because Georgetown has such a small student driver population, Sheehey said, student representatives there may choose not to oppose the bill. But he expressed hope that Trachtenberg could be convinced to sway area administrators in favor of student opposition to the bill.

The group also discussed a proposed housing bill which would prohibit more than four non-related persons from living together in the District, a law which would prohibit fraternity houses and be a problem for students in general.

"We're going to look into that," Sheehey said, adding that the bill has not yet been formally introduced to the D.C. Council. The Council turned down a similar bill introduced by former Councilmember John Ray (D) three years ago.

The DCCC had intended to elect a chairman and other executive members at Sunday's meeting, but because Howard, Catholic and Gallaudet universities could not

send representatives, the group postponed the elections until next week's meeting at Howard.

The Corcoran School of Art will also be joining the DCCC. Although Corcoran is a small school with only 300 students, it has a student association and will send a representative to next Sunday's meeting, Sheehey said.

Sheehey, who is one of the candidates for the DCCC chairmanship, expressed confidence that the group will continue to grow in strength over the coming semester.

"Because it's not a student body group – it's a group that works for student bodies – we're not really stuck to the rules of, say, GW's SA," he said. "We can get a lot of work done with just a few people."

He also pointed out that membership is a valuable way for universities to exchange information. "The DCCC is a wonderful networking tool," Sheehey said. He said Catholic has taken several ideas from GW for its new campus safety program.

"We benefit each other," Sheehey said, adding that the main problem up until now has been lack of recognition from students on the various campuses. "People now know who we are, and we're getting stronger as the semester progresses," he said.

The next DCCC meeting will be Feb. 4 at Howard's Blackburn Center.

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Searching for the next vice president for academic affairs may be a tough task, but GW President Stephen Joel Trachtenberg has directed a search committee made up of faculty and one student to

Former Vice President for Academic Affairs Roderick French announced last year that he would resign from the post and take a year-long sabbatical. French said he plans to return to GW next year to work with the University

French had worked at the University for 26 years, serving the last 11 as vice president. Last year, just before his retirement, he was the only vice president to have been a part of the administration before Trachtenberg arrived in 1988.

The vice president for academic

Law professor Robert E. Park, chair of the Advisory Committee for the Vice President for Academic Affairs Search, said the search began last summer for candidates with national scholastic reputations, high level administrative skills at a major research university and intuitive people skills necessary for leadership of faculty and academic administrators.

About 130 nominations have been submitted from students and administrators on campus, consulting firms and The Chronicle of Higher Education. The committee has narrowed them down to 12 candidates.

Anyone from GW, whether a faculty member or student, may nominate a candidate. Six of the

The advisory committee is made up of one representative from each GW college or school, a member of the Board of Trustees, a member of the administration and one student – senior Scott Mory – selected by Trachtenberg.

"Scott Mory is doing an excellent job," Park said. "I think he is a very knowledgeable and insightful student leader and he has been a full participant in the committee work."

The committee will interview the best candidates in mid-February, and three or four finalists will visit the campus to talk with faculty and students.

"The idea is that the president wants every constituency's input on this choice," Park said. But Trachtenberg still has the final decision on who will get the job.

## CORRECTIONS

The article "New recycling bins make being green easy" on p. 8 in the Jan. 25 issue of The GW Hatchet should have said glossy magazines and envelopes with plastic windows cannot be recycled in the paper bins. Also, only corrugated cardboard can be recycled in

the cardboard bins; cereal boxes cannot.

The article "CDs, CRs co-sponsor mock election 1996" on p. 6 of that same issue should have said the Program Board Political Affairs Committee is also sponsoring the event.

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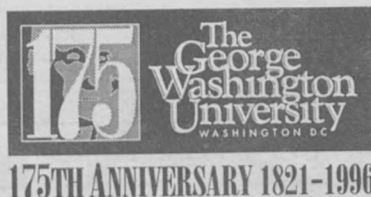
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# Toll selected for JEC; will chair PB elections

BY BECKY NEILSON  
HATCHET STAFF WRITER

The GW Program Board announced this week that senior Andrea Toll will be its representative to the Joint Elections Committee and will oversee its newly established independent elections committee.

Toll was treasurer of PB last year when its executive board voted to add an amendment to the organization's constitution establishing the Program Board Election Committee. For the first time, PB elections will be conducted by the PBEC in conjunction with the JEC. "This is new and a little scary," Toll said.

PB decided to create its own election board because it wanted to institute some of its own policies, Toll said. While she will still work with the JEC to coordinate general election procedures, some of the more specific policies for PB campaigns will be established by the PBEC.

"It is still necessary for us to work with the JEC to coordinate things like 'meet the candidate nights,' debates, renting voting booths," Toll said.

Toll was chosen because of her extensive involvement in the PB in the past, PB political affairs chair Kuyomars "Q" Golparvar said. She

has been involved in the PB since her freshman year, and was parties chair two years ago in addition to serving a year as treasurer of the organization. She holds no formal position on the executive board this year.

The PBEC will announce its election rules this week and will disclose the names of the other members of the committee pending approval by the executive board.

One new policy to be established by the committee allows campus-wide elections for only the organization's chair and vice-chair. The secretary and treasurer, formerly chosen by the entire GW community, will be selected within the organization.

The PBEC will announce its own rules regarding such campaign procedures as posting and spending limits, which Toll said have always been "a divisive issue" among the members of the JEC.

Joining Toll on the JEC will be Student Association nominees Matt Zierler (SA senate secretary), undergraduate Sen. Brad Jacobs (at-large) and former Colonial Cabinet member Andy Hamilton, as well as Marvin Center Governing Board nominee Lawrence McNamara.

Program Board chair Suzanne Dougherty was unavailable for comment.

## Peer educators address student issues

GW Peer Educators hosted the third annual Peer Ed Exchange Saturday. The exchange was organized by Susan Haney of Student Health Services, Connie Peyton of the Substance Abuse Prevention Center, and Elizabeth Morris and Brian Victor of the Office of Residential Life.

Present at the exchange were students and organizers from GW, Howard University, American University, Catholic University and Gallaudet University.

"This is the third year hosting the exchange and we continue to have a great response," Haney said. The idea of the exchange was to generate discussion among students for programming in the Peer Ed program.

Peer Educators address issues of alcohol and drugs, sexual assault and AIDS awareness and prevention. Students at GW helped organize discussion in small groups and then ideas were shared with the group as a whole. "It's a valuable opportunity for peer educators in local universities to share experiences and ideas," Haney said.

-Rachel Jensen

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## Run screaming from *Screamers*

Violence, explosions cloud good story

BY PATRICK PRESTON  
HATCHET REPORTER

Most movies are not made with a goal in mind. People go to the movies for entertainment, not in search of a deeper meaning of life.

Peter Weller's latest effort, *Screamers* (Triumph Films), is a movie without a goal. But instead of being recognized as quality entertainment, the film will be criticized for not exploring its deeper meaning.

*Screamers* takes place in the year 2078 on the isolated planet Sirius 6B. A decade of war between the Alliance and the New Economic Block, or the N.E.B., has left Alliance Commander Col. Hendricksson (Weller) disgruntled, jaded, upset and every other emotion that permits him to talk and act tough.

Building on his general cynicism and crabbiness, Hendricksson decides his government has betrayed him and the war only exists to keep his soldiers occupied.

With this in mind, he sets out to make peace with the other side.

He brings with him his young, goofy sidekick Ace (Andy Lauer of NBC's "Caroline in the City"). Ace's chief responsibility is to feed dumb set-ups to Hendricksson in return for smarmy replies for the film's truly pathetic attempt at humor.

As the movie progresses, we learn the real enemy is not human, but rather a mechanical creature called a Screamer. Screamers are aptly named for the loud, high-pitched shriek they emit to incapacitate their victims (as well as the audience) before attacking.

The Screamers don't make a particularly frightening enemy. The discovery that the Screamers have found a way to disguise themselves sets up the lone piece of excitement in the movie, as you try to distinguish who is real and who is a Screamer.

Based on a story by Phillip K. Dick, who also wrote *Total Recall* and *Blade Runner*, *Screamers* unfortunately takes a direction



*Screamers* relies too much on explosions and not enough on human drama like this confrontational scene between characters.

other than what the author had intended — the guessing game to discover the Screamers.

Director Christian Duguay instead decides to waste the movie's potential by spending too much time on scenes of people running, escaping and dying. Apparently, Duguay thought numerous shots of Screamers blow-

ing up would be more interesting than the psychological dilemma of not knowing who you can trust and mankind's struggle to survive. "We've tried to give (*Screamers*) a Hitchcock-like suspense," Executive Producer Charles W. Fries said in a press release. He failed, though, because virtually every surprise is given away. The audi-

ence never has a chance to get a chill down its spine.

Basically, *Screamers* is a pretty boring film. The plot twists are clever, but the picture is so poorly directed that the audience knows what is coming in advance. The characters are cliché. The movie isn't even gory, making it safe for the weak of stomach.

## Obscure British band's albums worth checking out on import

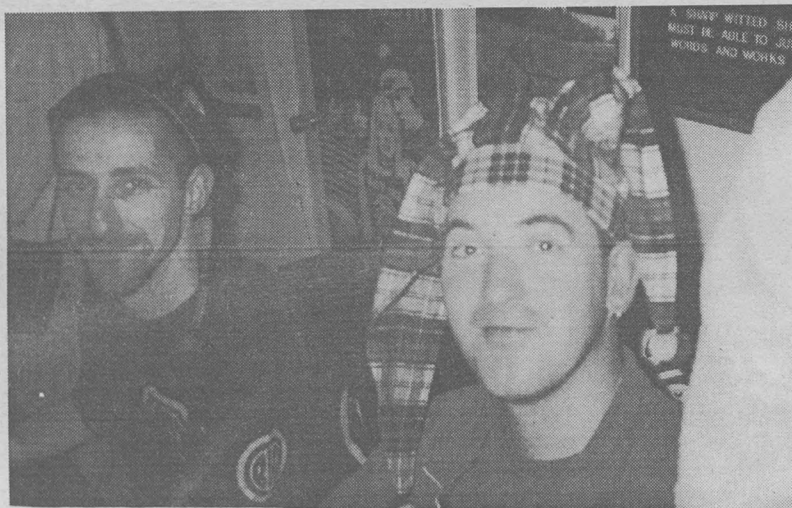
BY JOSEF NOVOTNY  
HATCHET STAFF WRITER

It is true that some bands make a knock-out debut and then follow it up with several disappointing albums. Then a few years later, they release a greatest hits compilation with different remixes of the one hit that made them popular to try to renew their popularity.

This is not the case with Carter the Unstoppable Sex Machine, one of the finest bands around. Chances are you've never heard of them, but their latest album *Straw Donkey-The Singles* (Chrysalis) is a breathtaking retrospective of their unmistakable sound from the past five years. Although the album is available only on import, it is well worth the extra time and money to track it down.

Carter's music sounds like a combination of singer/guitarist Jim Bob's main influences: "My favorites are the Manic Street Preachers, Black Grape, These Animal Men and all the greats — dead or alive — such as Elvis, Buddy Holly, the Sex Pistols, The Clash, the Jam, Beastie Boys and on and on," he wrote in a mail interview from England, where the band is currently residing. The song "Midnight on the Murder Mile" from the album *101 Damnations* even features a sample from one of Buddy Holly's songs.

Carter started off as a duo, but original guitarists Jim Bob and Fruitbat threw away their drum machine in exchange for Wez, their eccentric drummer. They opened



Carter the Unstoppable Sex Machine's Jim Bob (l.) and Fruitbat show off their unmistakable wit and style.

for EMF on an American tour in 1991, and have since returned to the United States several times. They often play on British stereotypes in their music, bashing the Queen Mum and covering songs like the Jam's "Down in the Tube Station at Midnight."

The band has released several albums, among them 1992: *The Love Album*, the weaker *Post Historic Monsters*, 1995's experimental *Worry Bomb* and the compilations *Straw Donkey* and *Starry-Eyed and Bollock Naked*, a collection of B-sides.

"I'm looking forward to a new year and fresh starts," Jim Bob wrote. "We've got loads of ideas that we can't do much with yet. We're quite restless to begin helping Michael Jackson save the

world, or at least get on "Top of the Pops" again." Carter is a band with much humor in its work, but don't let that distract you from the political messages.

"*The Love Album* was supposed to be a political pop record, which I think it is, and *Post Historic Monsters* was going to be an honest, uncompromising and uneasier listen, which I think it is," Jim Bob wrote.

The band lost a record deal with I.R.S. in 1994 after leaving Chrysalis, and the members are still unsure about the future. "It's been frustrating and I'm not prepared to grovel anymore just to be successful. We will play the States again and it will be wonderful," Jim Bob added.

## Paltry punk pickings on poor compilation play piteously pathetic

BY JOSEF NOVOTNY  
HATCHET STAFF WRITER

The face of alternative music has radically changed over the past few years. It's not even so much that the actual music has changed, but rather the kinds of people who now listen to the more aggressive-sounding style. Bands like Green Day, the Offspring and especially that dreaded Seattle band whose name rhymes with "Shoshanna" have created a new audience for alternative kinds of music.

For those of you too young to remember the heyday of that brand of alternative music known as punk, don't worry: record companies are working hard to bring it back with the releases of numerous compilations.

The latest one to emerge in record store bins is *Punk You, Volume One* (EMI). Probably designed so young slackers can have a taste of "real" punk, *Punk You* presents some of the first cutting edge punk bands like Wire, the Buzzcocks, the Damned and Generation X, which once featured Billy Idol.

Compiler Vincent Vero must have had the best of intentions when he picked the eclectic songs for the album, but not all the music that appears on *Punk You* is punk. Siouxsie and the Banshees belong more on a compilation of British new wave with artists like the Cure and New Order than on this one. And Bow Wow Wow's "Radio G String" comes off sounding like the punch line to a bad joke when compared to hardcore punk like "Neat Neat Neat" by the Damned.

Perhaps later volumes will include a better blend of the bands that innovated punk: Black Flag, Husker Dü, Minor Threat, the Sex Pistols, the Dead Kennedys. Those of us too young to remember these great bands the first time around deserve better than some half-rate exploitation by a record company that claims you have "the real thing" in your hands.

Your best bet if you want to hear some classic punk is to pick up some of Husker Dü and Black Flag's early work on the SST label. The new Buzzcocks album, entitled *French* (IRS), is also recommended. Recorded live last year in Paris, this high-adrenaline sonic assault is a great introduction to one of the most underrated punk bands.

Punk shouldn't be about what's in or what's cool. The point of punk was to make music that was uncompromising, untamed and radical. With *Punk You*, EMI has violated all the rules by marketing a product for the masses which at one time wasn't even for sale.



## SPOTLIGHT



photo by Nora Giesel

Novelist Alice Walker (l.) and her biographer, Evelyn White, answer questions at Lisner Thursday night.

## Now you can pay all your bills by computer

### Citibank revolutionizes on-line banking

BY MEGAN STACK  
HATCHET STAFF WRITER

These days, technology is the buzzword of choice, and everyone seems to want a piece of the action. Computers apparently spell out profit across the board, from on-line classifieds to "supermarkets" that allow hungry hackers to order their food and have it delivered to their front doors without leaving their keyboards.

In such an environment, it is hardly surprising that Citibank is now offering PC Banking, a service that allows customers to bank by computer.

"People today are time-starved," said Mary Tisi, vice president of the Citibank branch on Pennsylvania Avenue. "The emphasis is on how to be more convenient."

And what will this convenience cost you? Nothing, really. The software and service are both free, the modem makes calls to a toll-free number and right now Citibank is actually giving customers a \$50 bonus for using PC banking.

"We're taking stock in the fact that you'll like it," Tisi said. "It's a great vehicle to drive revenue into the bank."

Tisi said the biggest difference between PC Banking and other systems is the Citibank system's ability to handle checking accounts over the computer. At any hour of the day, customers can pay their bills without writing a single check.

Commands sent into a main database describe the size of a check and to whom it should be mailed.

The software also has other features, including a screen that tracks the stock market and allows the user to handle securities on-line.

Tisi said students represent a growing market for on-line banking, as more and more of them have access to computers. "Students today are into computers," she said. "Their banking needs are not as big, but for things like making sure the rent is in on time, this can be invaluable."

According to Tisi, PC Banking has "exceeded expectations," but due to policy she could not say exactly how many people are now banking by computer.

Citibank does not seem concerned about the program's effect on its employees. "This is a computer society," Tisi said. "It's good that we offer people another option, because they're so busy today."

"We will begin to see fewer and fewer branches as there are more products," Tisi continued. "We simply won't need to put the money into actual brick and mortar. I don't see that as a threat to my lifestyle, though. We still can't do without humans."

Today Citibank offers the only free service of this kind in the area, and so far the response is good. "A woman stopped me on the street the other day to tell me how much she loved the system," Tisi said. "I've been working in banking for eight years, and nobody's ever stopped me before to say, 'Hey, I just love that checking account.'"

## Walker's work speaks for 'silence' of battered women

BY MONIQUE L. HARDING  
HATCHET STAFF WRITER

GW welcomed esteemed writer and Pulitzer Prize-winner Alice Walker to Lisner Auditorium Thursday night to hear about her latest book, *The Same River Twice*, and the experiences which have shaped her writing through the years.

A standing room-only crowd filled the auditorium as Walker gave an interview with her official biographer, Evelyn White.

After being introduced by Smithsonian Associate Michael McBride and receiving a standing ovation from the crowd, Walker began speaking. The interview with White was followed by a question-and-answer session, and then Walker autographed copies of her book for the audience members.

White, a visiting scholar at Mills College in Oakland, Calif., asked Walker about her 13-year relationship with a man who practiced infidelity; her experience with the controversy surrounding the writing of the screenplay based on her book, *The Color Purple*; and returning to her hometown (Eatonton, Ga.) to see *The Color Purple* on screen in a once-segregated theater.

Walker reminisced about returning to her hometown in January of 1986 for the premiere of *The Color Purple*. Since blacks

were not allowed to sit in the theater, she had no "positive associations with it .... It was a curious thing to bring home a film in this theater."

Walker also said the people were "warm and well-wishing" but she felt "engulfed." She said she was suffering from Lyme Disease, which added to her discomfort.

Walker said that at the time, her mother was ill from several strokes. Walker's mother had lost the ability to move on her own and arrived at the theater in an ambulance "with her high heels." Walker said she was "sorry (that her mother) never saw a movie that resembled her life or the life of her parents."

Other topics White asked Walker about concerned children, Walker's writing style and her attempts at ending female genital mutilation through works such as *Warrior Marks*.

Walker compared being enslaved in one's own land to female genital mutilation, which is still a custom in many African cultures.

"All of us are responsible for our children. These are our children and they are mutilated, abused ... nobody hears them crying," she said. "What do you think they are going to grow to be? They have no future."

Walker had received a lot of criticism after the film version of

*Warrior Marks* was seen on public television. "Part of the criticism was that I was not an African ... is that my fault? How did I get here, where did I come from and who sold me over here?" she said.

White said, "(Walker) does not ask permission of anyone ... your writing is very, very clear."

Walker said she asked herself if writing about the topic was indeed her work to do. "Because maybe it's not ... because I'd be happy if somebody else (was doing this work) because the choices can be so difficult," she said.

"(In dealing) with female genital mutilation, I absolutely felt that that was what I wanted to do so no matter what anybody says I would do it just because it felt right ... for black women ... to brave the struggle to get an education," she said.

"My parents worked very hard to get me out of the house and into college. I feel grateful" to be educated and able to travel, she added.

Walker also expressed how she felt about "the deafening silence" of battered women. She said she "thought that there would be more women like my mother and aunts ... it took a very long time ... to understand that there is a shame in it."

Walker is also the author of *Possessing the Secret of Joy*, *The Temple of My Familiar* and *You Can't Keep a Good Woman Down*, to name a few.

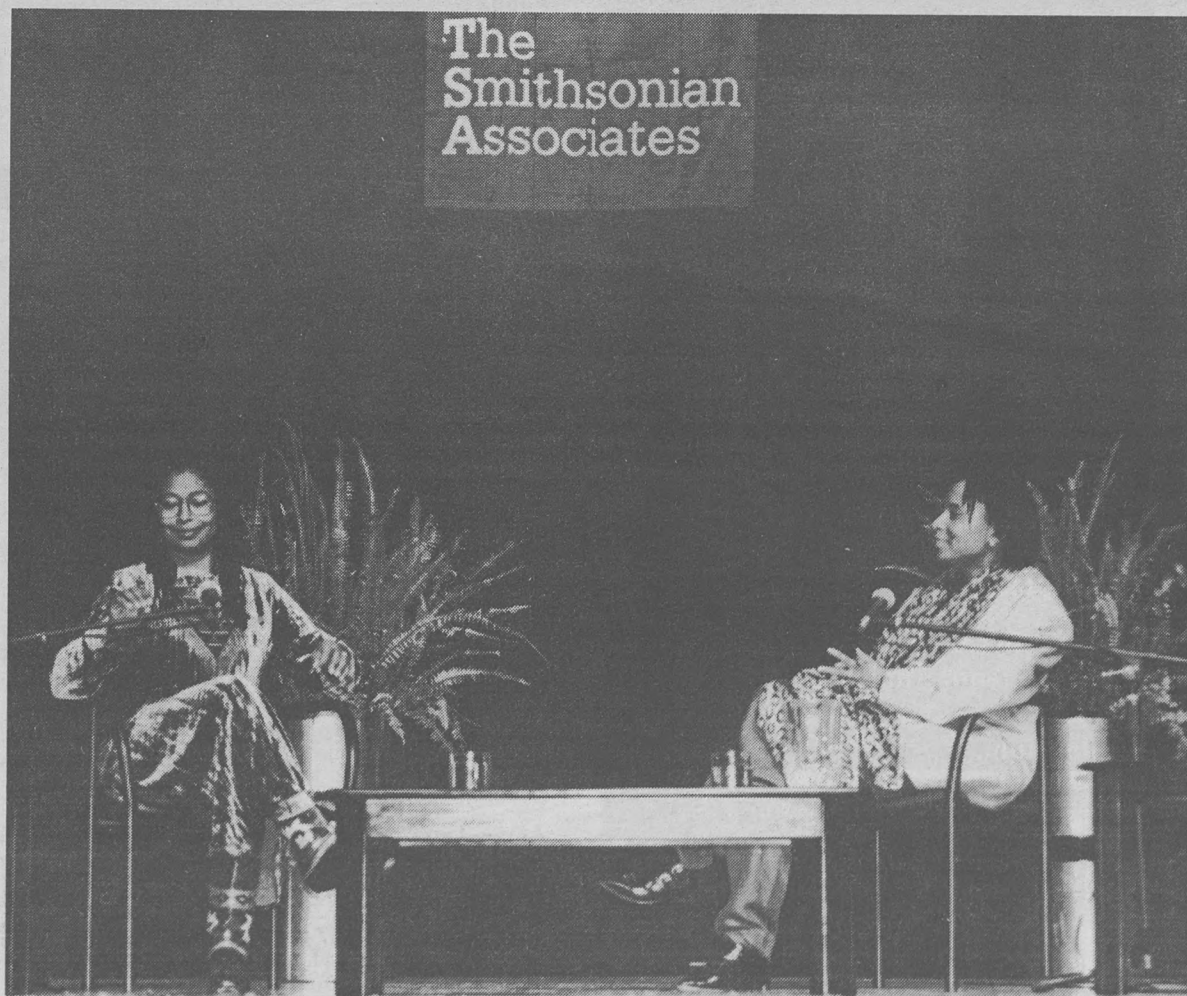


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Alice Walker speaks out against female genital mutilation, among other topics Thursday night.



JANUARY 29- FEBRUARY 4

# Do This!

## GW'S WEEKLY CALENDAR

"Do This!" (formerly "Campus Highlights") is the GW community's weekly calendar.

We ENCOURAGE everyone in the University community to give us information on your events so that we can publish them in this weekly calendar.

"Do This!" is published in Monday editions of the GW Hatchet.

### 175th Anniversary Events

#### THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 1

Lecture: Reappraising the Colonial Revival: History in the Service of Reform in conjunction with the exhibit *Victorian Sentiment and American History Painting: Henry Bacon's "The Boston Boys and General Gage 1775"*, Dimock Gallery, 7pm.

#### FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 2

Alumni Recognition Awards and Athletic Hall of Fame at the Botanic Garden Conservatory.

Academic Program: Women in the Workplace, faculty forum 11am, public forum 4:30pm.

#### SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 3

Tour of Historic Foggy Bottom, Visitor's Center, 11:30am.

Charlie Byrd/The Washington Guitar Quintet- Tenth Anniversary Concert, A Tribute to Laurindo Almeida, Lisner Auditorium.



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#### MONDAY, JANUARY 29

**Study abroad info session:** Kalamazoo College programs to Senegal, Zimbabwe, Ecuador, France, Germany, and Kenya, Stuart Hall B03, 3:30pm. Info, 994-1649.

**Preliminary JEC election rules** available in Marvin Center 427. Info, Andy Hamilton, 994-6555.

#### TUESDAY, JANUARY 30

**Catholic Relief Services** Internship Opportunities Overseas, Stuart Hall B03, 4-5pm. Info, 994-6495.

**College Republicans** campaigning for Dole, check in at Marvin Center 437, 6:45pm. Info, 994-4895.

**Minority Career Forum**, Pre-Forum Prep Session, Marvin Center 402, 7pm. Info, 994-6495.

#### WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 31

**Study Abroad general info session**, Stuart Hall B02, 3pm. Info, 994-1649.

**GW Academic Success Series:** get organized, University Counseling Center, 718 21st St., 4:10-5:30pm. Info, 994-6550.

**Study Abroad re-entry** welcome back party, Marvin Center 501, 6pm. Info, 994-1649.

**Lecture: The State of Black Youth**, Marvin Center 403, 7:30pm. Info, 994-9703.

**College Republicans' general membership meeting**, location TBA, 7:30pm. Info, 994-4895.

**Public hearing on JEC election rules**, Dorothy Betts Marvin Theatre, 7:30pm. Info, Andy Hamilton, 994-6555.

**Class of 1996 meeting** Marvin Center 404, 8pm. Info, Chava Sladek, 994-6710.

#### THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 1

**Russian Politics in the Wake of the Elections**, by Dr. Peter Reddaway, Marvin Center 404, 12-2pm. Info, 994-7050.

**Brown bag lecture** on international affairs, Marvin Center 407, 12-1pm. Info, Julie Chernov, 676-7791.

**Study abroad info session:** Academic Programs Abroad in Paris France, Stuart Hall B02, 3:30pm. Info, 994-1649.

**Neighbor's Project Open House**, reception to follow, Marvin Center Colonial Commons, 6pm, reception 7pm. Info, 994-6554.

**Caribbean Students' Association** general body meeting, Marvin Center 407, 6pm. Info, Chekeshor Smith, 496-2258.

**Shabbat and Friends**, an open forum about Friday nights at Hillel, Hillel building 2300 H. St., 6:30-8pm. Info, Michael Baratz, 296-8873.

**Asian American Christian Fellowship** meeting, Marvin Center 411, 8pm. Info, Alice Oh, 676-7980.

**Senior class get-together** Rumors, 1900 M St., 5:30-8pm. Age ID required. Info, Chava Sladek, 994-6710.

**MBAA at Mr. Day's**, 1111 19th St., 9pm. Info, 994-8177.

#### FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 2

**Living with Loss** Support Group, University Counseling Center, 718 21st St., 9-10:30am. Info, 994-6550.

**Study abroad general info session**, Stuart Hall B02, 2:30pm. Info, 994-1649.

#### SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 4

**Project Community Action** to Reach the Elderly, volunteer kick-off and orientation, Marvin Center 411, 3pm. Info Rusty Stahl or Julie Kaufman, 994-6555.

**"Why Not Me?"** A One Woman Show, A Day in the Life, Marvin Center Ballroom, 3pm. Info, 994-9703.

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Celebrating Our Cultural Diversity**, Colonnade Gallery, through February 2.

**Mock Presidential election** straw poll, Monday, February 5, 8-11pm. Info, Q Golparvar 994-7313 or 994-9530.

**Will the New South Africa Work**, by Prof. David John Welsh, Tuesday, February 6, Gelman 202, 5pm.

**Taiwan's role in the International Community**, Wednesday, February 7, Marvin Center 501, 1-3pm. Info, 994-7050.

**Declarations of Candidacy** and Petitions due, Friday, February 9, Marvin Center 427, 5pm. Petitions available beginning February 5 in Marvin Center 427. Info, Andy Hamilton, 994-6555.

**International Affairs Review**, Winter edition available Friday, February 9, The Elliott School of International Affairs, Stuart Hall.

**International Affairs Review** Summer edition submission deadline, Friday, February 9, Elliott School of International Affairs, Stuart Hall. Info, Jennifer Barnet, 835-1053.

**Film Sango Malo** from Cameroon, Friday, February 16, Gelman B04, 2pm. Info, Yvonne Capitan, Romance Languages Dept.

**Muslim Students' Association** info table, every Monday and Thursday through February 22, Marvin Center ground floor. Info, Omer Totonji, 703-422-1026.

**Muslim Students' Association**, daily prayers 5 times a day and Iftar at 5:30pm, every day through February 17. Info, Omer Totonji, 703-422-1076 or Monna Shahns, 676-7959.

**Muslim Students' Association** canned food, clothing, and donation drive. Drop off donations in Marvin Center 502 through February 20. Info, Omer Totonji, 703-422-1026.

"Do This!" Weekly Calendar submission forms are available from Campus Activities, Marvin Center 427.

Forms due in Marvin Center 427 Wednesday at NOON for the following week.

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# Mothers and babies receive two-day care

## GW Medical Center sets higher standard

BY SETH LITZENBLATT  
HATCHET STAFF WRITER

The George Washington University Medical Center will offer a free second day hospital stay to mothers who have had routine deliveries and to their newborn infants.

The announcement, made in December, was delivered amid a growing national debate over early discharges for newborns.

The extended stay policy, which will be evaluated in June, has received much praise from the GWUMC community.

"This policy reflects a growing consensus that a 24-hour extended stay will allow more time to better assess the health of the newborn and help the mother to recuperate," said Dr. Keith Ghezzi, medical director of GWUMC. "An extra day will help them (mothers) get the rest they need, learn more about their baby's needs and get the best medical advice possible."

Dr. Harold E. Fox, chair of the GWUMC obstetrics/gynecology division, said the new policy was an "excellent" idea because infants who stay in the hospital for only one day tend to suffer from various complica-

tions.

"Signs of dehydration and jaundice often are not apparent until the second day or later," Fox said. "In addition, the other medical tests routinely performed on newborns will be more accurate on the second day, after the child has had time to have a meal or two."

Under the new policy, the mother and child remain under the supervision of the ob/gyn and pediatric staff. During the stay, a variety of educational materials on feeding and caring for an infant are made available to the mother.

Ghezzi said GWUMC has enough staff to handle the additional requirements of the second day, and if necessary, he will hire additional staff members. The hospital delivers approximately 1,500 babies per year.

"We assessed the financial ramifications of this (program) very carefully, and we have determined that we can absorb the expense, estimated to be \$200 to \$400 for the second day," Ghezzi said. "More importantly, we realize that the cost of an extended stay pays in comparison to the cost of re-hospitalization of an infant."

## Yale TAs return to work after grade strike

(CPS) - Yale University has refused to rehire several graduate teaching assistants who participated in a five-week grade strike earlier this year.

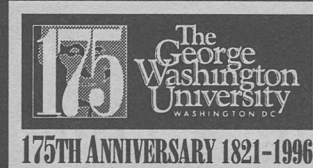
Nearly 200 teaching assistants withheld fall semester grades beginning December in an attempt to force Yale to recognize their union, the Graduate Employees Student Organization. The teaching assistants contend that they live at the poverty line and need a bargaining unit to negotiate better working conditions.

Yale President Richard Levin informed TAs that a

failure to turn in grades by Jan. 15, the start of the spring semester, would mean a loss of teaching jobs for strikers.

Although the grade strike was called off by TAs at noon Jan. 15, five TAs failed to turn in grades on time and lost their spring teaching positions to other students.

"This kind of move is clearly illegal," said Ann Wierda, a spokesperson for the graduate teachers' union that has filed charges against the university with the National Labor Relations Board.



## JEC Announces...

The Preliminary Election Rules are available TODAY!!!  
Pick up your copy at the Campus Activities Office, MC 427

A Public Hearing for the rules will be held  
on *Wednesday, January 31st*  
at 7:00 PM in the Dorothy Betts Theater

The Final Election Rules will be published  
next *Monday, February 5th*

Available at the Campus Activities Office, MC427  
Declarations of Candidacy & Petitions  
will also be available at this time.

The DEADLINE for Declarations of Candidacy & Petitions  
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## GW women's studies expands program to uncharted areas

BY RACHEL JENSEN  
HATCHET STAFF WRITER

As more and more women have started to take on powerful positions in both the private and public sectors, colleges and universities have begun to prepare those

women for the world outside of academia. GW is no exception.

The GW women's studies program is one of the older and more respected programs in the country, and while the program is primarily a master's program, more undergraduate offerings are being

offered each semester.

"We're in a great moment right now," said Barbara Miller, now in her second year as director of the program. The program has expanded its class offerings to undergraduate and graduate students this semester, and continues to see a demand for classes.

The program recently relocated to the fifth floor of Fungler Hall. There is "lots of excitement for expansion and growth," Miller said. The program is now next to the public policy department and down the hall from the political science department, a location that helps serve the program's unique focus on public policy.

The program looks at governmental policies in the United States and internationally and how they affect women.

The program, however, is also responsive to the demands of the student body and current issues. One new course offered this semester focuses on athletics and gender.

Also offered this semester is a course taught by a visiting professor, renowned author and feminist Naomi Wolf. The class Wolf teaches is titled "Rhetoric of Liberation."

Women's studies "has grown so much in the U.S. as a reputable area of study," Miller said.

Because of the growth in interest and respect for the expanding field, GW students have been successful in finding internships and jobs relating to their area of study. Graduates have found jobs as lobbyists, researchers, teachers, public affairs specialists and advocacy organization staff members.

Annually, the program holds events ranging from lectures to alumni panels that are open to the public. This March, the program will hold its fifth annual Yulee Lecture, which has traditionally been given by scholars with special interests in women's issues.

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Friday, February 9, 1996

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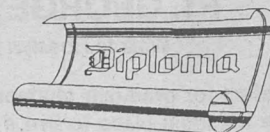


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## Neighborhood group talks parking, policy

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meeting to order following a compromise with the police department, University and residents working together to end the illegal parking.

Maddux then invited nominations for the biannual chairperson election. Commissioner Dale Barnhardt nominated current chair Maddux for an additional term and Commissioner Dorothy Miller nominated Tyler. Tyler deferred her nomination to Geroe, who declined, citing time commitments.

Procedural debate ensued, with Tyler and Barnhardt squaring off on time limitations and rules of order. Incensed and angered by the disorder, Barnhardt angrily left the meeting so a quorum would not be present and therefore the assembly would be forced to come to a close.

"You will not be able to conduct this because we will not have our meeting hijacked ... by people whose agenda is not the goodwill of this neighborhood," Barnhardt said, amid both jeers and applause from the crowd.

Tyler and Maddux then began arguing with each other over personal grievances, and debate continued while Geroe attempted to calm them down and adjourn the meeting. With the abrupt dismissal of the meeting, the elections were postponed until February, when a quorum would be present to vote.

GW Student Association Director of Community Relations Kuyomars "Q" Golparvar said the ANC has been more difficult to work with than other citizen-based organizations such as the Foggy Bottom Association and the West End Citizens' Association.

"This meeting was a perfect demonstration of how inefficient and poorly run the ANC is," Golparvar said.

Golparvar was slated to discuss community issues at the meeting, and two GW AmeriCorps members were in attendance to educate the community about their efforts in the Foggy Bottom area. Both groups were unable to speak due to the chaos.

"Unfortunately, no community issue was discussed at that meeting, nothing of importance. It was just Robert's Rules, internal bickering and personal conflicts that came out," Golparvar said. "It was really a disgrace because students look to our elected officials as role models, and these people aren't role models to anyone."

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## GW 'partnership' may come to rescue

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state schools to qualify for SSIG assistance.

Also, adjustments may be made to the Perkins loan programs. "Cuts to the Perkins loans should be less than 10 percent," Small said. This level of cuts should not amount to more than \$100-\$200 per student.

Small hopes the cuts in financial aid will not make students

leave GW. "We are committed to trying to make sure that the students who want to stay (at GW) stay," Small said.

The University could help students with financial assistance by forming a "partnership" with parents, Small said.

In this system, the University could share expenditures with parents in a mutually acceptable way. "We will make every attempt to

help our students fulfill their dream of graduating from GW," Small said.

Small thinks the financial aid cuts will not affect the number of applications GW receives this year, or in the future. "When most students follow through the college admissions process they look primarily at the academic aspects of a school instead of the financial aspects," Small said.

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## SPORTS

# 'The Colonials are back, baby!'

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easy layups with misses worthy of a sports blooper video. No aces were flashed by Hokie fans as the normally potent forward Ace Custis was held to only four points in the first half.

Towards the end of the first half, GW seemed to lose most of its momentum, and Tech put together its best rally of the game, getting within 27-25. But right before the half, Alexander Koul hit a pretty turnaround shot in the lane to give GW a little more breathing room.

"I said at half-time to them that if we could play any more inept, I didn't know how," Foster said. "Then, in the second half, they showed me they could. We were in the Twilight Zone, offensively."

Starting guard J.J. Brade set the tone in the beginning of the second half when he made another inside layup. Shawnta Rogers weaved between Tech defenders to make a basket and drew another foul on VTU's Damon Watlington. A minute later, Kwame Evans hit a long three-pointer to put GW ahead 39-27. The Colonials were once again in firm control of the game's tempo, and they never looked back.

The GW fans knew it. They chanted, yelled and contested every call against the Colonials. This was one of those games that gives GW a reputation for a huge home-court advantage.

"The crowd was behind us 100 percent. It really helped us," Evans said.

"It's not the first time we've been in a tough house," Foster said. But he admitted, "They're a nice club, playing in front of a packed house, with a lot of emotion."

The game wasn't completely out of the hands of the Hokies until three minutes remained in the game. Tech guard Jim Jackson leaped to prevent the ball from going out of bounds and crashed into press row, knocking over tables and sportswriters. Evans grabbed the loose ball and laid it in on the fastbreak. At that point, even the season ticket holders rose to their feet, knowing the home-town rout was inevitable.

The fans in the student section started waving their keys, yelling to Foster to "warm up the bus."

When the final buzzer sounded, fans from the student section rushed the floor in a lighter version of the post-game frenzy that followed last year's upset of Massachusetts before President Clinton and his daughter Chelsea.

"The Colonials are back, baby!" GW assistant coach Mike Jarvis II yelled.

With the victory, the Colonials remain undefeated at home this season. The Hokies lost their first game after receiving the highest ranking in the team's history.

"Our team never dwelled on

being ranked eighth," said Tech star Custis, who was held to 10 points and eight rebounds. "When you're hearing fans yell that you're overrated, it makes you want to play harder."

But Jarvis knew the significance of playing a ranked team.

"Who doesn't want to play against the best? It's very important to prove to yourself you can beat the best teams," he said.

It was the Colonials' lowest scoring effort of the year, but clearly an incredible defensive showing. Virginia Tech's lowest point total before this game

was 62 points against Wright State. The loss snapped Tech's nine-game winning streak, and also was the first time in 277 games that the Hokies did not make a three-point shot.

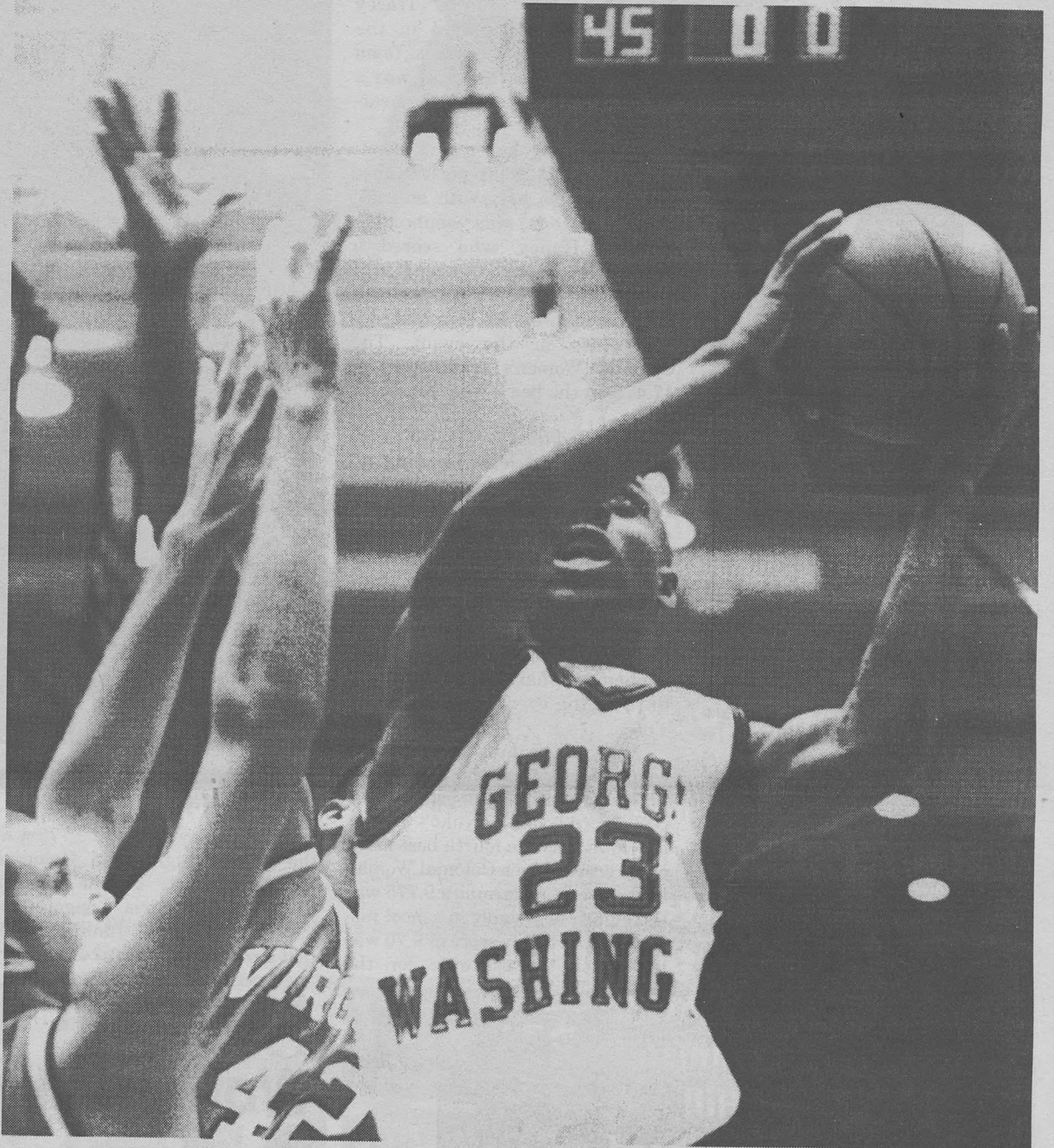
GW performed well at the foul line, shooting 17-27 from the charity stripe. It made up for the team's cold long-range shooting (3-15).

Three Colonials went into double figures. Evans led the team with 13 points, four steals, three rebounds and two blocks. Koul was a close second with 12 points, eight rebounds and two blocks as well. Reserve guard Darin Green stepped up for the Colonials, scoring 11 points in only 22 minutes.

GW travels to Dayton Feb. 1 to take on the Flyers in an A-10 rematch. The Colonials then begin a four-game homestand Feb. 3 as the Temple Owls visit the Smith Center. That game is followed by matches against UNC-Charlotte, Xavier and La Salle.

**"I think we realized they weren't having a great night. We played a very intelligent game. We controlled our emotion well, which is a sign of maturity."**

**-Mike Jarvis**



J.J. Brade (top) continues to bring enthusiasm to the GW offense. The Colonials were led by (l.) Kwame Evans with 13 points and (r.) Alexander Koul with 12 points.

Photos by Tyson Trish



## SPORTS

## Colonial gymnasts capture GW Invitational crown

BY ADAM WILLIS  
HATCHET SPORTS WRITER

On the strength of a balanced team effort and victories on all four apparatuses, the GW gymnastics team left the rest of the field in the George Washington Invitational meet in the dust Jan. 27.

In doing so, the Colonial Women nearly rewrote the record books with performances placing among the best ever for GW, as well as coming within .225 points of setting a new school record for total team points.

GW's score of 190.725 was by far the highest of the meet, leaving the second-place team from the College of William and Mary far behind at 187.250. The University of Maryland, Southern Connecticut State University, University of Bridgeport, Temple University and the University of Pennsylvania placed third through seventh with scores of 186.650, 183.650, 183.450, 183.100 and 176.85, respectively.

In only their third meet of the year, the Colonial Women looked like they were already in mid-season form. In 24 routines, GW scored above the nine-point mark 22 times. The team's 190.725 point total was a new Invitational record, and was just off the school record of 190.950 set in 1993.

The Colonial Women's team success was derived from solid individual performances throughout the meet, coupled with often outstanding routines. Sophomore

Alexis Hrynko got GW off to a solid start by winning the vault with a score of 9.875. Junior Tracey Ackerman placed second in the event with a 9.775. GW's team score of 48.20 on the vault was a full 1.5 points better than its nearest competitor.

Highlighting her team's meet-leading 47.175 point performance on the uneven bars with an individual victory was sophomore Siobhan Haney, who scored a 9.775. Lori Franklin turned in a near-flawless routine on the balance beam to earn a 9.75 and second place in the event. The Colonial Women's team score of 47.475 on the beam was the meet's best.

GW ruled the floor as well, scoring 47.85 as a team, leading all competitors. Sophomore Lisa Gruber performed the night's final, as well as its best, floor routine. Her 9.75 point performance drew an ovation from the crowd, fully attentive to Gruber's performance upon the completion of action on the other three apparatuses. Sophomore Shari Douman tied for third in the event with a score of 9.65.

Many of the day's performances went directly from the floor of the Smith Center into the pages of the GW record books. Hrynko's 9.85 on the vault was the fourth best mark ever recorded by a Colonial Woman in the event. Ackerman's 9.775 was the eighth best vault in school history, and Gruber's score of 9.70 was the ninth highest ever for the

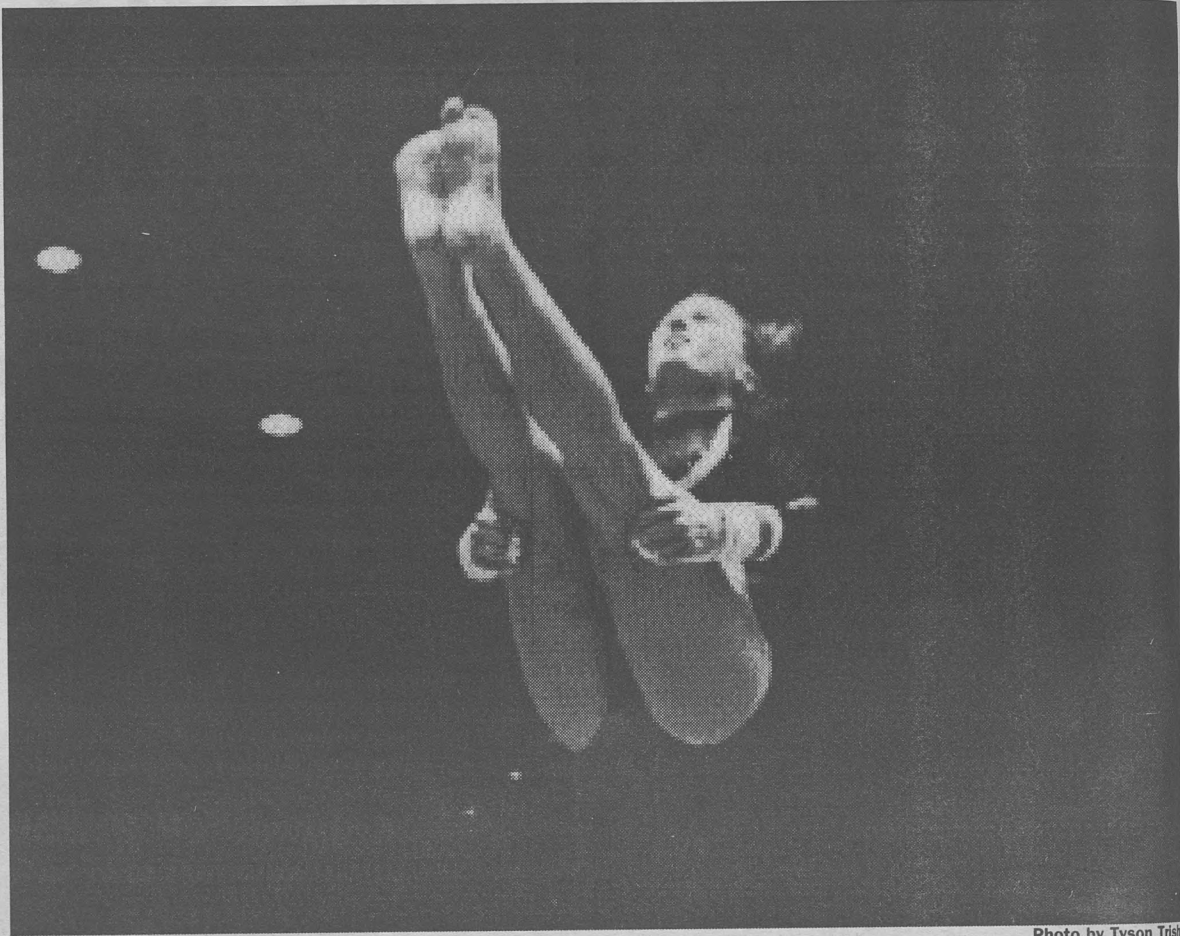


Photo by Tyson Trish

GW gymnasts went head over heels on the uneven bars to win the GW Invitational meet Saturday at the Smith Center.

team. Haney's score of 9.775 was the second highest in Colonial Women's history on the uneven bars behind Andria Longheretta's 9.8 in 1993, while Franklin's 9.75 tied her own eighth-place mark on

the balance beam. Gruber also inked her name into the top 10 list of all-time floor exercise scores, with her 9.75 tying for third in school history. Douman's 9.65 tied for ninth-place on the same list.

The Colonial Women will next compete at the University of New Hampshire Invitational Feb. 10. GW's next home meet is Feb. 23 against James Madison University.

## Abraham dominates as Colonial Women thrash Duquesne, 85-63

BY MATT BONESTEEL  
ASST. SPORTS EDITOR

Before the Colonial Women took the Smith Center floor against Duquesne Sunday afternoon, few questioned the fact that GW center Tajama Abraham was one of the most dominant players in the Atlantic 10. After scoring a career-high 31 points and grabbing 11 rebounds in leading the Colonial Women to a 85-63 victory, those few remaining skeptics have now been silenced.

Duquesne head coach Dan Durkin summed it up the best. "She's damn good," he said of Abraham, who recorded her eighth double-double of the season, while at the same time shutting down Duquesne's second-leading scorer, Trixie Wolf. Wolf came into the game averaging 14.6 points per game. Sunday, she finished with zero.

"TJ is playing like an All-American right now," said GW head coach Joe McKeown.

The only Lady Duke to show up Sunday was sophomore sensation and leading scorer Korie Hlede, who scored her 1,000th career point, on her way to 30 for

the day, despite being constantly harassed throughout the game by GW players Myriah Lonergan and Desrene Lincoln. No other Duquesne player had more than nine points.

"Hlede is going to get her points, but she is not going to beat us in a one-on-five game," McKeown said.

The 1,072 raucous fans who showed up for the game (the largest crowd of the season) were treated to GW dominance of all areas. The Colonial Women raced to an 8-0 lead and never looked back as they held the Lady Dukes to only three field goals in the first 10 minutes of the game. Abraham put back a rebound off a missed shot to give GW an 11-point lead with 14:51 to go. The lead would remain in double figures for the rest of the game.

"It was a great crowd. They were real vocal and it made for a good atmosphere. We want to make sure those people see a good game," McKeown said.

Lonergan provided another offensive catalyst for the Colonial Women. She slashed her way to a season-high 21 points. Adding 12 points and five rebounds for GW was freshman Mandisa Turner.

"If they don't respect Mandisa she is going to score. It makes my work easier," said Abraham of her frontcourt teammate.

Guards Colleen McCrea and Lisa Cermignano didn't score much but provided many assists. Each had five points, but McCrea dished out 11 assists, her most this season, and Cermignano had 10.

McKeown said he was happy with his team's play, despite the fact that the Colonial Women committed 21 turnovers. "We are starting to play consistently and unselfishly. It's fun to watch," he said.

With the win, the Colonial Women solidified their hold on first place in the A-10 west division. They now stand at 13-5, 6-1 A-10, and have won their last seven games in a row.

In those seven games, the average margin of victory has been 23 points. GW also extended its winning streak against conference opponents at the Smith Center to 15 games with the victory. In losing, the Lady Dukes fall to 10-8, 5-3 A-10. They are 20 against the Colonial Women since 1986 and have never won at the Smith Center.

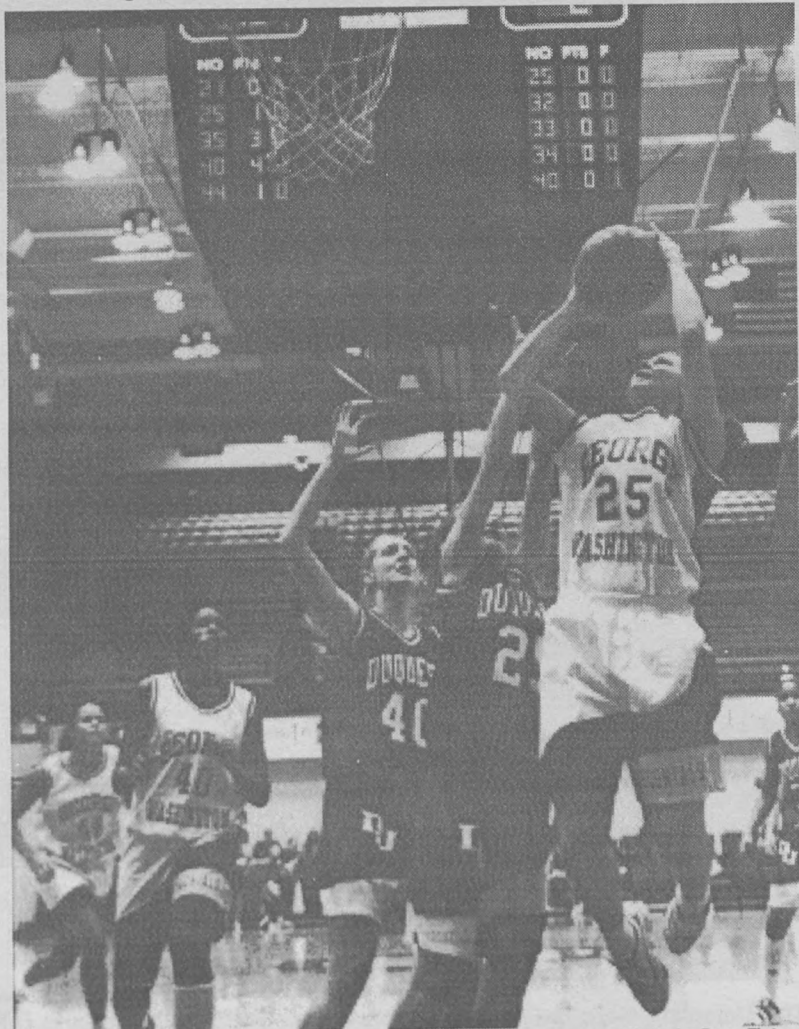


Photo by Dave Flintzen

Myriah Lonergan penetrates Duquesne's defense for a score in Sunday's rout.



# SPORTS

## Despite early setbacks, Colonial hockey team is off and skating

BY MATT GREEN  
HATCHET SPORTS WRITER

Jeff Butler did not even start skating until he was a junior in high school. Now as a freshman in college, he is president of GW's newly formed hockey club.

The past semester has been an uphill struggle for Butler and his colleagues. "It's been a lot of hard work," he said. "I've spent over a 100 hours working on everything, and I still work at least three hours a day on the club."

All the work, which is just starting to pay dividends, began last October. At first, the club's chances did not look good.

The first obstacle to overcome was paperwork. It took almost a month before all the necessary forms were filled out, and a constitution had to be written. With the help of Butler, Vice President Carl Hurwitz, Secretary/Treasurer Seth Jackson and Scheduling Director Matt Mattson, Packy Moran drafted the club's constitution.

The first meeting was an overwhelming success. More than 20 people ended up joining the club, but one problem still remained - funding.

The \$250 dues set by the club were only enough to pay \$5,000 of the estimated \$8,000 operating costs for one year. As its main fundraiser, the club decided to sell T-shirts and jerseys designed by the team.

There was a slight problem. The University heard of the club's plan to go to a T-shirt company in Virginia, and although the hockey club was using its own money, GW forced it to order the shirts through the bookstore.

Again, the team found out, there was a catch. The University Bookstore was going to charge a seven percent royalty for the shirts. Essentially, the bookstore would be making a profit off the fundraiser of a non-profit organization.

The club almost disbanded due to this complication. Upon removing all references to GW on the shirts, however, the University allowed the club to approach its original T-shirt company.

With these matters settled, the hockey club was actually ready to begin playing. Three practices were held before semester break, but the team had no practices after and suffered through a month lay-off before its game. This did not seem to matter, though, as the Colonials thrashed Radford University in its first two games.

Things have really started happening for the club now. At the Colonial men's basketball game Jan. 20, Butler and Hurwitz presented GW President Stephen Joel Trachtenberg and Vice President of Student and Academic Support Services Robert Chernak with official team jerseys.

The young Colonial team has big plans for the near and distant future. Hoping to build fan support, the club is providing van service to and from home games. If anyone is interested in a schedule, attending any of the games, or even practicing with the team, they can contact Jeff Butler at (202) 676-7707.

## GW senior swimmers wrap up home against Bison, JMU

BY DAVE MANN  
HATCHET SPORTS WRITER

Swimming and diving teams from two area schools visited the Smith Center pool Jan. 26-27 for GW's final two home meets of the season.

Friday, the Dukes of James Madison University split with the Colonials, a 135-102 win for the GW men, while the women came up on the short end of a 121.5 to 118.5 score.

Only 24 hours later, GW hosted the Bison of Howard University and promptly humiliated both the Howard men and women at Seniors Honors meet.

Saturday the swimming and diving team honored their seniors before a demolition of Howard University. Each senior was given flowers and a gift in recognition of his or her four-year careers at GW. The ceremony lasted five minutes, which was longer than the meet against Howard remained competitive. In the first event, the 400-yard medley relay, both the men's and women's teams lapped the overmatched Howard swimmers

and both GW teams collected easy wins.

Friday against James Madison, the GW women were locked in a battle with the Lady Dukes. Thanks to sophomore Connie Shelton and junior all-American Bambi Bowman, who each won two races, the GW women took a 114.5 to 108.5 lead into the final event, the 400-yard freestyle relay. Needing a first place finish to hold onto the win, the Colonial Women fell behind by nearly five seconds on the first three legs. The deficit was too much to overcome in one leg, giving James Madison the three-point win.

The men were more successful, blowing away James Madison 135 to 102. GW was paced by sophomore Glendon Flint and seniors Armando Serrano and Brendt Garlick, who won two races each. Other winners included junior sprinter Lee Calvert and junior Chad Senior, who took first in the 500-yard freestyle.

After winning both meets over the weekend, the GW men raised their record to 5-2, while the women are also 5-2 on the season.

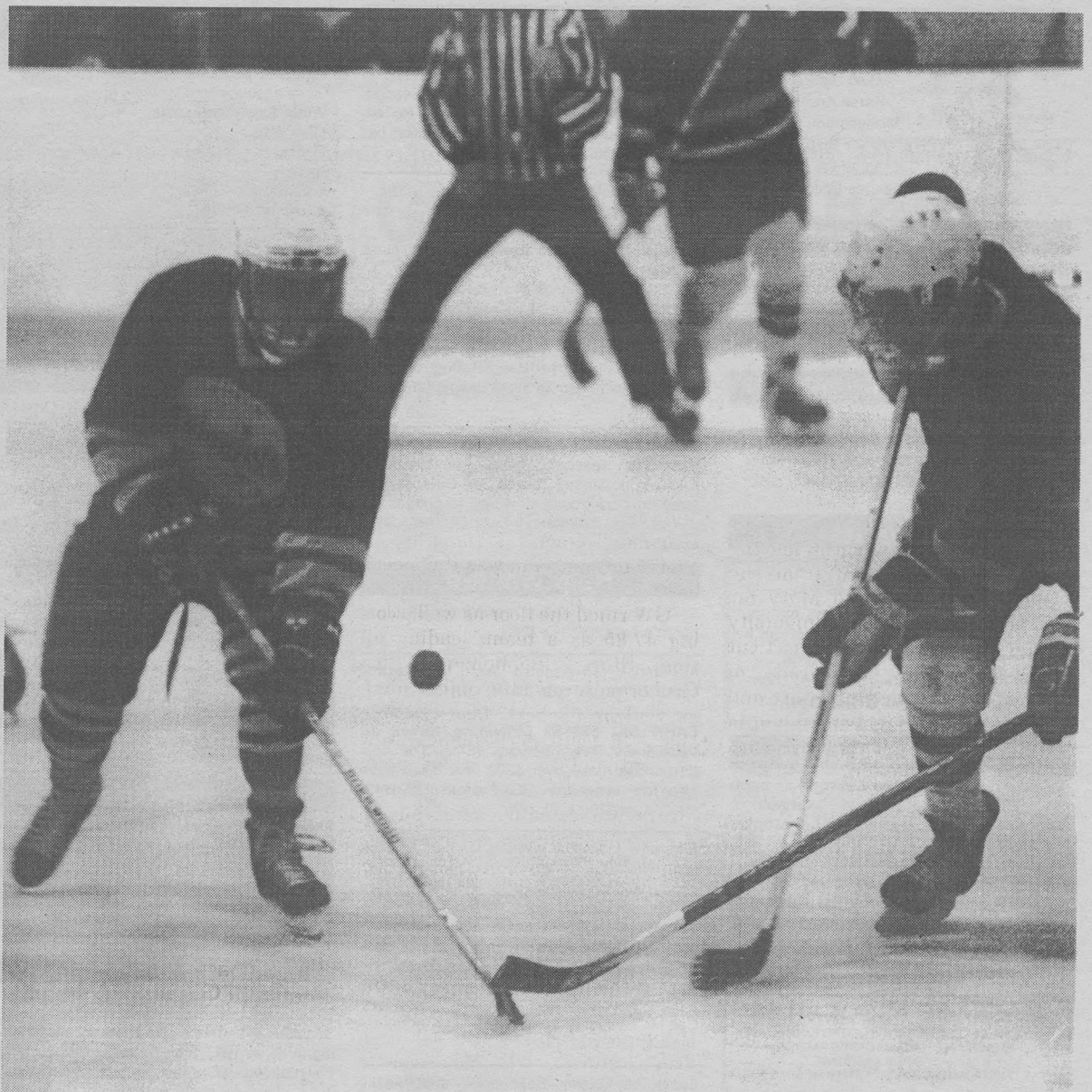


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The new GW ice hockey team faces off against William and Mary on Saturday. The Colonials won, 6-2, bringing their record to 4-0.

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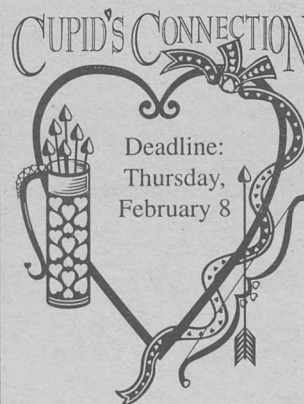
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